

## MRS. JEFFERSON DAVIS PASSES OVER THE RIVER

New York, Oct. 17.—Mrs. Jefferson Davis, the widow of the President of the Confederacy, who had been ill for a week at the Hotel Majestic in this city, died at 10:25 o'clock last night. Death was due to pneumonia induced by a severe cold, which Mrs. Davis contracted upon her return from the Adirondacks, where she had been spending the summer months. Although fears were felt from the first, Mrs. Davis' wonderful vitality, which had brought her through a similar attack a year ago, gave hope of ultimate



recovery until Monday night, when a change for the worse was evident and attending physicians announced that the end was near. It was then believed that Mrs. Davis could not survive the night, but she rallied slightly during the early hours of yesterday. Shortly after 7 o'clock yesterday she had a sinking spell and Rev. N. A. Seagle, rector of St. Stephens Protestant Episcopal Church, was hurriedly summoned to give religious comfort to the patient in her last moments of consciousness. The clergyman remained some time and an hour later it was announced that Mrs. Davis had lapsed into a state of coma. The period of unconsciousness continued to the end. At the bedside when the end came were Mrs. J. Addison Hayes, the only surviving daughter of Mrs. Davis; Jefferson Davis Hayes, a grandson, who is a student at Princeton University; Mrs. Charles E. Bateson, a niece; Dr. and Mrs. Gustav Webb, the latter a grandchild, and Dr. Robert H. Wylie, who with Mr. Webb, cared for Mrs. Davis throughout the illness.

## SUDDEN DEATH OF SAM JONES

Little Rock, Ark., Oct. 16.—Rev. Sam P. Jones, the well known evangelist of Cartersville, Ga., died yesterday of heart failure in a sleeping car on train No. 4 of the Rock Island Railroad near Perry, Ark. Mr. Jones had been conducting a most successful meeting at Oklahoma City and left there Sunday night for his old home. He desired to attend a family reunion Monday, it being the fifty-ninth anniversary of his birth. Mr. Jones and his daughters, Mrs. Annie Pryor and Miss Julia Jones, were with him when he passed away. Mr. Jones arose from his berth in the sleeping car about 5 o'clock and complained of sickness in his stomach. He drank a glass of hot water and immediately afterward collapsed. Rev. W. H. Holcomb, who has been associated with Mr. Jones for a number of years, took the dying man in his arms, and in a few minutes the evangelist breathed his last.

**To Test Bailey Sentiment.**  
Waco: A significant meeting of several citizens was held Tuesday morning and it was decided to start a petition at once asking the McLennan County Democratic executive committee to meet Oct. 27, for the purpose of taking steps to secure the submission to the democratic voters the question of whether they voted Hon. J. W. Bailey to represent them in the senate.

**Fell Under a Train.**  
Beaumont: A telegram received from Rosenberg says that F. A. Low, a member of the Beaumont Typographical Union, had been killed in the Southern Pacific yards at that place while attempting to board a moving train. The only mark of identification found on him was papers showing him to hold a traveling card issued by the Beaumont union and the local union was accordingly wired for instructions.

**Daring Desperado Done.**  
Charlotte, N. C.: Andrew Oxendine, a notorious Croatan Indian desperado, was shot and killed in the Croatan settlement in Robeson County by John Locklear, another Croatan. Oxendine invited Locklear to ride and attempted to assassinate him. Locklear, however, was too quick with his gun. Locklear surrendered to the Sheriff. The cause of the trouble is not known, but it is said that trouble existed between them for some time.

**Confederate Veterans Meeting.**  
Dallas: Between 600 and 1,000 Confederate veterans are expected to attend the reunion Oct. 25-26. Assurances have been received from several towns that full delegations will be present and that a large number of veterans will turn out. They will assemble in the City Hall on the morning of Oct. 25. Gen. H. W. Granger will preside over the assembly, and Mayor Curtis P. Smith will deliver address of welcome.

## DEATH IN THE FLAMES.

Fire at Chectolah, I. T., Destroys One Life and Many Buildings.  
Chectolah, I. T., Oct. 15.—About \$25,000 property loss and one life is the result of a fire which started in the center of the business section of the city between 2 and 3 o'clock Saturday morning. As near as can be ascertained, the fire originated in a negro restaurant. Before the flames could be quenched about a dozen frame buildings had burned. The saddest feature in connection with the conflagration was the death of Mrs. H. P. Stoker who was alone with her two children, aged 10 and 12 years, in the upstairs of one of the burning buildings. When she awakened, she evidently grabbed one child and carried her downstairs. The other child followed her down, but it is the general opinion that she did not know it and went upstairs after her, where she perished. Her screams could be heard all over the town, but her rescue was impossible. Her charred remains were recovered after the fire had subsided. Her husband, who returned Saturday morning, is prostrated. All the buildings were frames and for a time it looked as though all the business portion of the town would go.

**Texas Epileptic Asylum.**  
Austin: Dr. John Preston, superintendent of the epileptic colony at Abilene, has submitted his annual report to the governor for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1906. The report shows that on September 1, 1905, there was a total of 235 patients in the institution, 137 males and 98 females. There were admitted during the year 89—43 males and 46 females. Total number treated 299 males and 135 females—total 434. There were discharged improved males 14, females 4—total 18. Discharged unimproved males 15, females 2—total 17. Died, males 15, females 2—total 16. Carried on furlough 21 males and 8 females—total 29. Recovered males 1. Remaining in colony August 1, 1906, males 135, females 108—total 243, or an increase of eight over the previous year.

**Aftermath of Typhoon.**  
Victoria, B. C.: Ten thousand lives were blotted out, seventeen steamers and sailing vessels were wrecked or badly damaged, over a thousand junks swamped, turned over or battered to pieces against the stone walls of the praya, eighty per cent of the lighters, launches, yachts, houseboats and small native craft were entirely destroyed, many wharves wrecked and many damaged was the result of the typhoon which lasted but two hours at Hong Kong on Sept. 18, according to advices brought by the steamer Empress of Japan, one of the few vessels to escape the disaster, which have arrived here.

**To Build to Paris.**  
Paris: Dorst Carter, president of the Oklahoma Central Road, informed the Board of Trade that his company will be ready to begin the construction of the road from this end of the line December 15. The road has been completed from Lehigh, to a little place near Purcell, and every foot of it is under contract to Chickasha. After completing it to Chickasha, the contractors and grading outfits will be moved here.

**C. C. Huff, right of way agent for the Wichita Falls and Northwestern Railway, has returned from a trip over the line, where he settled all disputes. Several grading forces are now at work and dirt will be flying all along the line in a few days.**

**Oil at Mineral Wells.**  
Mineral Wells: The Mineral Wells Oil and Gas Company of this city, who are boring for oil a mile north of town, struck a flow of oil Monday in a well at a depth of about 2,000 feet, which was very heavily charged with gas. The drillers had to immediately cap the well in order to prevent or keep the well from blowing out, as the oil and gas rose to the top of the well in about three minutes.

**Fifteen hundred members of the Oklahoma Odd Fellows' grand lodge, the Grand Encampment participated in the Muttant and Rebekah assembly at Lawton.**

**A dashing young man has been posing at Atlanta, Ga., as Kingdon Gould, and until his sham was exposed, was having a swell time among the youthful nabobs.**

**R. R. Stripling, Mayor of Rosebud, was shot, probably fatally, Saturday night, while attempting to arrest three Mexicans who were in a wagon. According to authentic reports the Wells Fargo Express Company is to operate over the Trinity and Brazos Valley Railroad, which will be completed into Houston next week.**

**The work of laying track on the Knox City extension of the Orient, between Benjamin and Knox City, a distance of about eight miles, has begun.**

## BACK AT WORK!



## UNCLE SAM STEPS IN SWITCHMEN WON'T STRIKE

U. S. GOVERNMENT FOR ISLE OF PINES.  
TAKE OVER ANOTHER ISLAND

American Provisional Government to Depose the Cuban Mayor.

Havana.—With the establishment of a provisional government in Cuba, the mayor of the Isle of Pines will be recalled and an American provisional government established there. Many attempts have been made by Americans on the Isle of Pines to overthrow the Cuban control of the island. Delegations have visited Washington, and actual war was threatened at the time. The Americans claimed they were in the majority on the island and that, therefore, they should have American government. The island will be taken over by the United States should Cuba be annexed. Only the mode of government of the Isle of Pines will be changed, otherwise the island will remain a Cuban possession. That the island remains under control of the Cuban government was provided for in the treaty now pending in the United States senate.

**DUG UP DEAD BODIES.**  
Terrorists Force a Priest to Give His Solemn Blessing Over Them.

Lodz, Russian Poland.—An immense crowd exhumed the bodies of the terrorists, hanged here during the morning, collected offerings for coffee, and forced a priest to give his solemn blessing. While this was going on, a squadron of Cossacks suddenly appeared, and charged the crowd, beating the people with whips and swords. Many persons were injured, and 30 were arrested. The Cossacks compelled their prisoners to rebury the bodies of the terrorists.

**There was a second sitting of the drumhead court-martial, and more executions are expected today.**

**The strike has spread to the neighboring cities of Zgierz and Pabian.**

**Nut Boy Wins Walnut Hall Cup.**  
Lexington, Ky.—Despite the cold raw western winds, one of the largest crowds was present at the Lexington Trotting Breeders' course. The main event on the programme was the Walnut Hall cup, the famous Walnut Hall cup. The stake was won by Vesta Boy, but only one heat was trotted in the cup race. Nut Boy won this heat easily.

**Reception at the Cuban Palace.**  
Havana.—Mrs. Taft and Mrs. Bacon held a reception in the main salon of the palace. It was attended by several hundred Cubans and others, including almost all the army and navy officers here. The municipal band played American and Cuban airs in the park opposite the palace during the reception, which was informal and enjoyable. Gov. Taft gave a dinner in the palace to the naval officers.

**Not Just at Present.**  
Cienfuegos.—A statue of Jose Marti, the "Washington of Cuba," was to have been unveiled here Tuesday, the anniversary of the beginning of the "Ten Years' War," but the event was postponed because of the fear that it might result in political demonstration. Large crowds from the country districts were not permitted to enter the city.

**Leishman Saw the Sultan.**  
Constantinople, Turkey.—After the semelik, the Sultan granted private audiences to several members of the diplomatic corps, including the American ambassador, John G. A. Leishman.

## CONSCIENCE STRICKEN

CONVERTED TO RELIGION, DESERTER SURRENDERS.

## LEFT NAVY FIVE YEARS AGO

Is Now a Minister, but Believes a Jealous Woman Gave Detectives a Tip.

Washington, D. C.—Conscience-stricken, Rev. James T. Slayton, Jr., presented himself to the assistant secretary of the navy and asked that he be arrested for deserting the navy 5 years ago. Slayton said that his conversion to religion and service as a minister of the gospel caused him to see the wrong he had done in leaving the service, and he requested that he be tried for the crime. He was accompanied to the navy department by officers of the Salvation Army, with whom he has been associated in religious work. Mr. Newberry referred Slayton to Capt. Wilson, who is in charge of enlisted men.

After hearing Slayton's story, the captain ordered him to report at the Washington navy yard, and surrender himself to officers, who would put him in prison and hold him for court-martial.

"Aye, aye, sir," I will report there on my honor, sir," Slayton replied, as he saluted the officer, and backed away from him. An hour later Slayton reported to the navy yard. At the navy yard the commandant told Slayton he could not be held because of the statute of limitation. Slayton left the navy yard with Brig. Gen. Little, of the Salvation Army, and together they conducted a meeting on the street, when Slayton told the crowd of his misfortunes.

Slayton was arrested at Myersdale, Pa., by a detective, but escaped from the officer, and came to Washington to surrender himself. He explained to the officers at the navy department that he is a regularly ordained minister of the Evangelical association, and has charge at Myersdale. It is charged by Slayton that a woman in Cleveland, who is jealous of him, was angry because of his recent marriage to another woman, caused the detectives to pursue him.

## AROUSAL STORM OF PROTEST.

English Address of Sympathy May Not Be Presented.  
London.—The approaching visit of a British delegation to St. Petersburg for the purpose of presenting an address of sympathy to Prof. Serge Mouroumoff, of Moscow, who was president of the lower house of the Russian parliament, is arousing a storm of indignation and protest, both here and in St. Petersburg, and strong influences are being brought to bear to induce the delegation to abandon its visit.

## BEFORE U. S. SUPREME COURT.

Argument in the Case of Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone.  
Washington, D. C.—The supreme court of the United States heard argument in the cases of Charles E. Moyer, W. D. Haywood and George A. Pettibone, officers and members of the Western Federation of Miners, who are in prison in Canon county, Idaho, under a charge of murdering former Gov. Steuneger of that state. The case comes on this court on an appeal from the decision of the Idaho federal court refusing to grant writs of habeas corpus.

## THE ROOSEVELT ROUGH RIDERS.

President May Attend Their Reunion at Prescott, Ariz.  
Washington—Charles E. Hunter, of Oklahoma City, Okla., president of the Roosevelt Rough Rider association, talked with the president about the date for the next annual reunion of the organization. This meeting will be held at Prescott, Ariz., at which time it is also expected that a statue of Capt. O'Neill, of Troop A, of the Rough Riders, will be unveiled if it can be completed in time. The president has attended the reunions of his former riders in arms, and is anxious to go to Prescott next year.

**Won Feature at Churchill Downs.**  
Louisville, Ky.—Keith, the second choice, won the feature event, the steeplechase handicap, at Churchill Downs.

**The Cruiser California.**  
Santa Barbara, Cal.—In the standardization trial trip, the cruiser California averaged 22.62 knots over the measured mile course.

**Called on the President.**  
Washington—Captain Hamilton Ward, Jr., the newly-elected commander-in-chief of the United Spanish-American War Veterans, accompanied by Judge Lewis, the newly-elected adjutant general of the organization, called on President Roosevelt.

**Three Men Killed in Explosion.**  
New York.—Three men were killed and a dozen others were rendered unconscious by an explosion and fire in the Pennsylvania railroad tunnel under Long Island City.

**Hester's Cotton Statement.**  
New Orleans, La.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton shows a total of 2,344,648, against 2,146,130 last week. Of this the total of American cotton is 1,609,648, against 1,383,130 last week.

**Beveridge in New York.**  
New York, N. Y.—Senator Albert J. Beveridge of Indiana, addressed the Knights of Columbus at Carnegie hall, the occasion being a celebration of "Discovery Day."

## Farmers' Co-Operative Union Of America

You don't care much if the merchant does charge you a good stiff price for prints and calicoes and shirts and sugar and salt, provided you get a good fair price for your own products, do you? That's the idea. Get together and stand by the fair minimum price.

It takes a heap of feed to make up for the cold weather that unprotected horses and cattle have to bear in the fields and lots of the mean man. Don't wait till you are told again that boards are a heap cheaper than hay, and the comfort they yield is an important item.

Take a hike around the place right now and see how many more fruit trees you need than you have already ordered. Don't be a fool and try to get some of those new sorts of fruits that grow both panaches and molasses, but buy some of the old standards that you can depend on for a crop. Dewberries never fail in this section and they will grow in any sort of soil, from the black wax to a sand bank, and with half a chance they will bear big crops. Get busy in the fruit department.

The Printers' Union is winning out in its fight against the strongest anti-union organization ever created in this country, and it is all because printers have trustworthy officials, and the printers trust them, and the fight goes on from day to day, much of the time showing no progress at all on the surface. Keeping everlastingly at it with one method and one final object is the secret of the printers' success. Is there a lesson in this for the farmer? There ought to be—CO-OPERATION, CONFIDENCE, PATIENCE and PERSISTENCE!

In the writer's family the fruit bill is considerably larger than the meat bill, and there is no doctor's bill. That looks like a good text for those who have a spot on which they could plant some trees or berries. With a family of five, we have put up as many as 250 half-gallon jars of peaches and berries year after year, and then buy apples all winter besides. The fruit eaten is about evenly divided between raw and cooked. Of course the doctor needs business, but the man that gives the doctor the largest business is the worst off.

A livelier interest should be taken in the management and provision for public schools than the Unions have heretofore taken. There is great need of reform in many districts; some are entitled to better teachers, while all are entitled to better attendance. It is true that it takes a mighty slight provocation to induce a holiday, but it is a deuced sight easier to make pupils holidays than teacher holidays. Every parent and guardian should have a personal acquaintance with the person who is to teach their children or wards; and, sorry to have to say it, some parents and guardians should get on better terms of acquaintance with their children and wards themselves. Here is where the law of co-operation comes in good and strong. The years of time and the hundreds of dollars spent in school effort should generally show better results, and it is dead easy to get better results. A co-operation between teacher, pupil and parent will do the work.

**MERCURY MUSINGS.**  
The men who operate large farms and depend on hired help to do the work are now finding it hard to get men who will stand for the long hours and low wages that farm hands must receive to make such farming pay.

**A Russian Prince Assassinated.**  
St. Petersburg.—A dispatch received here from Tiflis says that Prince Jason Pavlenoff has been assassinated in a village of the Gorki district. The murderers escaped.

**A Simplified Spelling School.**  
New York.—A simplified spelling from school, the first of its kind, will be opened at the west side Y. M. C. A. in this city on the evening of October 19.

**McClellan Balts Hearst.**  
New York, N. Y.—Mayor McClellan has given out a statement in which he says he will not vote for Hearst for governor.

**Serious Damage in Oklahoma.**  
Guthrie, Okla.—Advices from the important cotton section of Oklahoma and Indian territory are to the effect that the crop was materially damaged by this week's frost. The crop was practically made, but much of the cotton has not yet matured, and the plant in that stage will be killed. A conservative estimate gleaned from the reports places the yield at one-half bale per acre.

**That British Address.**  
London.—The idea of sending a British deputation to present the memorial of sympathy to the dissolved Russian parliament has been abandoned. This means that the memorial will be taken to St. Petersburg by one member of the proposed deputation and presented without ceremony.

**Two Killed in Coal Mine.**  
Duquoin, Ill.—John Hammel and Gus Lee were killed at the Halliday Slope mine, northeast of this city, by falling slate.

**Still the warehouses grow and grow.**  
It is a trifling man who worries over trifles, but there are a lot of us who never see the greater things of this life until they have gone by.

In all the walks of life there are frauds and hypocrites, and if some happen to get into the Union, and at times get into prominent places, it is only a natural occurrence. This fact is not to be held up against the Union. It is a thing to be remedied by casting out the unworthy. Kill the noxious weeds in this field just the same as you do in your cotton patch.

Now is the time in the year to get busy enlarging the Union in your neighborhood. The evenings are getting long enough now to revive that debating club. There is nothing like a debating club to make fellows dig after facts in the case. Get a good debating club started and make these long winter evenings a regular school time for all the young men of the community.

The Farmers' Union doesn't shift and vary its position to suit the plans and schemes of speculators. It does not declare for eleven cents minimum at one time only to threaten to demoralize the market by retreating to ten cents shortly thereafter, and then a little later make another somersault in the air and declare for fifteen cents. It believes that the farmer is entitled to at least eleven cents for his cotton. Isn't that right—Mercury Pass-word.